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MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 20th March, 2015

G.S.R. 212(E).—Whereas the draft of certain rules further to amend the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 was published, as required under sub-section (1) of section 212 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (59 of 1988) vide notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, number G.S.R. 365(E), dated the 28th May, 2014, in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (i), inviting objections and suggestions from all persons likely to be affected thereby, before expiry of the period of thirty days from the date on which copies of the Official Gazette containing the said notification were made available to the public;

And, whereas, copies of the said Official Gazette in which the said notification was published were made available to the public on the 28th May, 2014;

And, whereas, the objections and suggestions received from the public in respect on the said draft have been considered by the Central Government.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 27,41,50.56 and 64, sub-section (14) of section 88 and section 110 of the said Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, the Central Government hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, namely:—

- 1. (1) These rules may be called the Central Motor Vehicles (Fourth Amendment) Rules, 2015.
 - (2) Save as otherwise specifically provided in these rules, they shall come into force with effect from the 1st day of April, 2015.
- 2. In the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 (hereinafter referred to as the principal rules), in rule 2,-
 - (A) after clause (c), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:-
 - '(ca) "combine harvester" means an agricultural equipment vehicle, self propelled or agricultural tractor powered type (either coupled to the trailer for header assembly or any other attachment of the machine) designed to perform more than one of the following tasks namely:—
 - (i) picking, harvesting, threshing, separating, cleaning, chopping, collecting and unloading crop or agricultural produce, such as grain, sugarcane, cotton, fodder, straw or stalk, while moving through the standing crop or agricultural produce;
 - (ii) arrangement of bagging with a pick-up attachment to use it for handling crop that has been swathed.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this clause, a combine harvester shall be a non-transport motor vehicle, the driving on the road of which is incidental to the main intended use in the fields and for travelling from one field to another, for short durations, at a speed not exceeding thirty kilometre per hour; ';

- (B) the existing clause (ca) shall be renumbered as clause (cab);
- (C) after clause (w), the following clauses shall be inserted, namely:-
 - "modular hydraulic trailer" means a trailer module intended for carrying indivisible heavy or overdimensional cargo and having the following features, namely:—
 - (i) swing axles with hydraulic suspension;
 - (ii) independently steerable axles;
 - (iii) two or more axle rows;
 - (iv) suitable arrangement for joining such modules longitudinally or laterally or both;
 - (v) suitable provision for joining such separate modules with spacer beam arrangement or by holster arrangement or by girder bridge arrangement or by loading deck arrangement;
 - (vi) suitable drawbar arrangement for being pulled or pushed or self propelled.

Explanation .- For the purpose of this clause, the expressions,-

- (I) "spacer beam arrangement" shall mean the arrangement of rigid steel frame used for joining two separate modular hydraulic trailer units to form a single rigid chassis for movement of long cargo;
- (II) "bolster arrangement" shall mean the arrangement of two separate units of modular hydraulic trailer mounted with turn tables and the cargo rests on the turn tables, whereby cargo structure itself acts as long member of trailer chassis;
- (III) "girder bridge arrangement" shall mean the arrangement of two separate units of modular hydraulic trailers mounted with turn tables, and cargo is placed on a steel girder, which is then mounted on modular hydraulic trailer, whereby the steel girder acts as the long member of the trailer chassis;
- (IV) "loading deck arrangement" shall mean the arrangement of two separate units of modular hydraulic trailers mounted with turn tables, and cargo is placed on a loading deck, which is then mounted on both modular hydraulic trailers, whereby the loading deck acts as the long member of the modular hydraulic trailer chassis;
- (vii) fitted with suitable braking system.
- (y) "puller tractor" means a multi-axle haulage tractor of Category N3 vehicle having-
- (i) suitable arrangement to pull or push modular hydraulic trailer or combination thereof under drawbar arrangement;
- (ii) adequate ballast weight for providing traction;
- (iii) minimum engine power of 260 hp; and
- (iv) maximum speed not exceeding twenty five kilometre per hour while pulling load;
- 3. In rule 47 of the principal rules,
 - in sub-rule (1), after clause (k), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:-
 - "(I) technical specifications and any other document as may be required by the registering authority in respect of the modular hydraulic trailer.";
 - (b) after sub-rule (2), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:-
 - (3) The modular hydraulic trailers registered under these rules shall ply in public place in laden condition subject to such other conditions as may be determined by the Central Government from time to time.".
- (a) in sub-rule(1), in clause (vi), after the second proviso, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:-
 - "Provided also that the size of registration plate for combine harvester shall be 340mm X 200 mm and exhibited at the front and at the rear of combine harvester and at the rear of trailer for header assembly used during transport:";
 - (ii) after sub-rule (6), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:-
 - "(7) The registration mark of the modular hydraulic trailer may not be exhibited on the puller tractor.".
- In rule 51 of the principal rules, in the Table, after social number 9 and the entries relating thereto, the following serial numbers and entries shall be inserted, namely:-

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1	12	3	14	3	1
1	4	Front and rear			
"10	Combine harvester	letters and	65	65 10	10.".
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11	Trailer for header assembly of combine harvesters	Rear letters and numerals			1

- In rule 88 of the principal rules,—
 - (a) after sub-rule (2), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:-

"(2A) No national permit shall be granted for a puller tractor which is more than fifteen years old at any point of time:

Provided that the national permit may be extended for another period of five years subject to certificate of fitness granted by the manufacturer or a chartered engineer, in case the manufacturer ceases to operate in India.";

(b) after sub-rule (4), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:-

'(4A) No national permit shall be granted in respect of a modular hydraulic trailer, which is more than twenty five years old at any point of time, the period of twenty five years being computed from the date of initial registration of the said modular hydraulic trailer:

Provided that the national permit may be extended for another period of five years subject to certificate of fitness granted by the manufacturer or a chartered engineer or approving authority, in case the manufacturer ceases to operate in India:

Provided further that the national permit shall be valid irrespedtive of the combination of modular hydraulic trailers subject to the condition that each individual modular hydraulic trailer is having valid national permit.

Explanation.—For the purposes of this section, "national permit" means a permit issued to ply the motor vehicle under this section, throughout the territory of India.'.

- In rule 90 of the principal rules,—
 - (a) in sub-rule (1), for the words "The vehicle" the words "All motor vehicles other than a trailer or modular hydraulic trailer" shall be substituted;
 - (b) in sub-rule (2), for the words "such vehicle", the words "such vehicles other than a trailer or modular hydraulic trailer for which the same shall appear on both sides of the vehicle " shall be substituted.
- 8. In rule 93 of the principal rules,-
 - (a) after sub-rule (1A), the following sub-rules shall be inserted; namely:-
 - "(1B) The overall width of a combine harvester measured at right angles to the axis of the combine harvester between perpendicular planes enclosing the extreme points shall not exceed 3.3 meters while in the travel mode; and such combine harvesters shall be painted by yellow and black zebra stripes on the portion of the width that exceeds 2.6 meters on the front; and rear sides duly marked for night time driving and parking suitably by white or amber lamps at the front and red lamps at the rear:

Provided that the zebra stripes need not be used on attachments, if any.

- (1C) The overall width of modular hydraulic trailer, measured at right angles to the axis of the modular hydraulic trailer between perpendicular planes enclosing the extreme points shall not exceed three metres.";
- (b) in sub-rule (2), after clause (v), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:---
 - "(va) in the case of a puller tractor having three or more axles, ten meters;
 - (vb) in the case of a modular hydraulic trailer, any single module with maximum eight axle rows shall not exceed nineteen metres;";
- (c) in sub-rule (3A),-
- (A) for the words "The overall length of the construction equipment vehicle", the words "The overall length of the construction equipment vehicle and combine harvester" shall be substituted;
 - (B) after the existing proviso, the following proviso shall be inserted namely:-

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"Provided further that in case of combine harvester exclusively used for harvesting sugarcane, the overall length in travel shall not exceed 15 metres.";

- (d) after sub-rule (3A), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:
 - "(3B) The overall length of puller tractor and modular hydraulic trailer combination shall not exceed 29 metres:

Provided that movement of larger combinations with more than eight axle lines shall be subject to prior approval of the concerned authorities.";

(e) in sub-rule 4, after clause (iia), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:-

"(iib) in the case of modular hydraulic trailer or combination of such modular hydraulic trailers, shall not exceed 4.75 metres;";

(f) in sub-rule (4A),-

- (A) after the words "construction equipment vehicle", the words "or combine harvester" shall be inserted;
- (B) in the proviso, after the words "construction equipment vehicle" the words "or combine harvester" shall be inserted;
- (g) in sub-rule 5, after the words "tractor", the words "or puller tractors" shall be inserted;
- (h) in sub-rule (6), for the words "tractor and construction equipment vehicle", the words "tractor, construction equipment vehicle and combine harvester" shall be substituted;
- (i) in sub-rule (6A), after the words "construction equipment vehicle", the words "or combine harvester" shall be inserted;
- (j) in sub-rule (6A), before the Explanation, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:-

"Provided that in case of a combine harvester exclusively used for harvesting sugarcane, the overhang shall not exceed 8.5 meters in rear while in travel mode.";

- (B) in the Explanation, in the opening portion, after the words "construction equipment vehicle", the words "or combine harvester" shall be inserted;
- (k) in sub-rule (7A), after the words "construction equipment vehicle", the words "or combine harvester" shall be inserted.

9. In rule 94 of the principal rules,-

- (a) in the sub-rule (1), after the words "agricultural tractor and its trailer", the words ", and combine harvester and modular hydraulic trailers" shall be inserted;
- (b) in the sub-rule (2), after the words "agricultural tractor and its trailer", the words ", and the combine harvester" shall be inserted
- 10. In rule 95 of the principal rules, in the sub-rule (2A), after the words "construction equipment vehicle", the words "or a combine harvester" shall be inserted.
- 11. After rule 95B of the principal rules, the following rules shall be inserted namely:

*95C. Size and ply rating of tyres for modular hydraulic trailers. - (1) The tyres including radial tyres used on modular hydraulic trailers shall be in accordance with IS 15636: 2005 as amended from time to time.

- (2) The tyre of modular hydraulic trailers shall have load carrying capacity as specified by the tyre manufacturer, however, the maximum load specified by the modular hydraulic trailers manufacturer shall not be greater than that permitted by the tyre manufacturer.
- (3) The modular hydraulic trailer manufacturer shall select the recommended or preferred rim sizes only, as suggested by the tyre manufacturer and the wheel rims shall confirm to IS 9438:1980.

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Note:—For compliance to this rule, any equivalent national or international standards such as Indian Standards (IS), Automotive Industry Standard (AIS), ECE (Economic Commission of Europe), Japan Automobile Tyre Manufacturers Association (JATMA), European Tyre and Rim Technical Organisation (ETRTO), Tyre and Rim Association Inc. (TRA), Indian Tyre Technical Advisory Committee (TTTAC), etc., may be referred.

95D. Limited road trials.—The Hydraulic Modular Trailer with specified Gross Vehicle Weight or maximum load carrying capacity shall be subjected to minimum hundred kilometers run profesably on plain roads with speed less than ten kilometers per hour."

12. In rule 96 of the principal rules, in sub-rule (8), in the Table, after serial number five and the entries relating thereto, the following serial numbers and entries shall be inserted at the end, namely:—

S. No.	Type of vehicle	Losd	Test speed (The speed at which the brake should be applied) (km/h)	Type of brake	Stopping distance
					(m)
"6.	Puller Tractor	GVW	20	Foot operated service.	13.".

13. After rule 96D of the principal rules, the following rule shall be inserted, namely:-

"96E. Brakes for combine harvester.—(1) The brake test shall be conducted in forwarded direction on dry hard road in good condition with the clutch disengage and cutter bar trailer with header assembly attached to reel of combine harvester.

(2) The service braking system of the unladen combine harvester shall be capable of bringing the vehicle to a halt within a specified stopping distance when brake is applied at the standard test speed as mentioned in the Table below:

TABLE

S.No.	Type of Combine	Load (Unloader)	Test Speed	Stopping Distance
1	Self Propelled Combine harvester		20 km/h or max speed whichever is less	10 meter
2	Tractor Powered Combine harvester		24 km/h or max speed whichever is less	10 meter

Maximum pedal force should not be more than 600 N.".

- 14. In rule 97 of the principal rules, in sub-rule (1), for the words "Every trailer", the words "Every trailer including modular hydraulic trailer" shall be substituted.
- 15. After rule 98C of the principal rules, the following rule shall be inserted, namely:-

"98D. Steering gears for combine harvester.—(1) The turning clearance circle diameter of combine harvester, coupled to the trailer for header assembly, if any, when measured as per IS: 11859-2004, as amended from time to time, shall not exceed 20 meters, without brake condition.

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- (2) The steering effort requirement of combine harvester shall conform to AIS: 042-2004, as amended from time to time, till such time the corresponding Bureau of Indian Standard is notified."
- 16. In rule 99 of the principal rules, for the words "construction equipment vehicle and agricultural tractor", the words "construction equipment vehicle, agricultural tractor and combine harvester" shall be substituted.
- 17. In rule 100 of the principal rules, after sub-rule (3A), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:--
 - "(3B) The glass of the front wind screen of a combine harvester shall be made of laminated safety glass.".
- 18. In rule 101 of the principal rules, in sub-rule (2A), for the words "All construction equipment vehicles", the words "All construction equipment vehicles and combine harvesters" shall be substituted.
- 19. In rule 102 of the principal rules, -
 - (a) in sub-rule (i) for the words "construction equipment vehicles. Every construction equipment vehicle shall", the words "construction equipment vehicles and the combined harvester, and such construction equipment vehicles and combine harvester" shall be substituted;
 - (b) in sub-rule (2), after the words "construction equipment vehicle", the words " and the combine harvester" shall be inserted;
 - (c) after sub-rule (3), the following sub-rule shall be inverted, namely:
 - "(4) in the case of modular hydraulic trailer,-
 - (i) the intention to stop shall be indicated by two electrical stop lamps which shall be red in color and shall be fitted one each on left and right hand sides at the rear of the vehicle;
 - (ii) the stop lamps shall light up on the actuation of the service brake control of the puller tractor,
 - (iii) at least two direction indicators of amber colour shall be fitted, which are illuminated to indicate intention to turn by a light and the minimum illuminated area of each indicator shall be 60 sq.cm.".
- 20. In rule 103 of the principal rules, in sub-rule (1) and sub-rule (2), after the words "construction equipment vehicle", the words "and combine harvester" shall respectively be inserted.
- 21. In rule 104A of the principal rules,-
 - (a) for the marginal heading and the opening portion, the following marginal heading and opening portion shall be substituted, namely:--
 - "104A. Fitment of reflectors on construction equipment vehicles and combine harvesters.-

All construction equipment vehicles and combine harvesters shall be fitted with-" shall be substituted;

- (b) after clause (i), the following proviso shall be inserted, namely: 1
 - "Provided that in case of combine harvester, the height of front white reflex-reflector shall not be more than 2100 mm above the ground in the case of unobstructed vision from the front and the implement or device shall not obstruct the visibility of the front reflex-reflectors to the oricoming vehicles;";
- (c) after clause (ii), the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:

"Provided that in case of combine harvester, the height shall not exceed 2100 mm above the ground;";

- (d) in sub-cleuse (v), after the words "construction equipment vehicle", the words "and combine harvester" shall be inserted.
- 22. After rule 104C of the principal rules, the following rule shall be inserted, namely:-
 - "104D. Fitment of retro-reflective tapes or reflectors and rear marking plate on modular hydraulic trailer.—(1) Every modular hydraulic trailer shall be fitted with two red reflective tapes having width not less than 50 mm at the rear and front and amber reflective tape having width not less than 50 mm on the sides, conforming to AIS: 090:2005, as amended from time to time, till the corresponding Bureau of Indian Stundard specifications are notified under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 1986 (63 of 1986).

- (2) Every modular hydraulic trailer shall be fitted with two red reflex reflectors having area not less than 28.5 sq. cm. and shall be fitted one each on left and right hand sides at the rear and front and amber reflex reflector having area not less than 28.5 sq. cm on the sides one set as close to the front end and the other set as close to the rear end as possible, than 28.5 sq. cm on the sides one set as close to the front end and the other set as close to the rear end as possible, conforming to AIS:057:2005, as amended from time to time till the corresponding Bureau of Indian Standard specifications are notified under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 1986(63 of 1986).
- (3) Every Modular hydraulic trailer shall be fitted with rear marking plate confirming to AIS-089.".
- 23. In rule 105 of the principal rules.-
 - (a) in sub-rule (1), in clause (d), after the words "construction equipment vehicle" the words "and combine harvesters" shall be inserted;
 - (b) in sub-rule (2), in clause (ii), after the words "construction equipment" and "construction equipment vehicle", wherever they occur, the words "and combine harvester" shall respectively be inserted;
 - (c) after sub-rule (3A), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:-
 - "(3B) All the obligatory front head lamps of a combine harvester shall be as nearly as possible of the same power and fixed at a height so that front visibility is maintained and farthermost point of equipment or attachment is clearly seen by encoming traffic.";
 - (d) after sub-rule (8A), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:-
 - "(8B) Every combine harvester shall be fitted with two lamps at the rear throwing light to the rear when the vehicle is being driven in the reverse gear and there shall also be an audible warning system operating when the vehicle is being driven in the reverse gear so that the audible warning system and the light are automatically operated when the vehicle is in reverse gear."
 - 24. In rule 106 of the principal rules, in sub-rule (1), after the words "construction equipment vehicle", the words "and combine harvester" shall be inserted.
 - 25. In rule 108A of the principal rules,-
 - (a) for the marginal heading, the following marginal heading shall be substituted, namely:— "108A. Use of red or white light on construction equipment vehicles and combine harvesters.-";
 - (b) in the opening portion, after the words "construction equipment vehicle", the words "and combine harvester" shall be inserted.
 - 26. After rule 108A, the following rule shall be incerted, namely:-
 - "108B. Use of beacon or blinking lamp on puller tractor.—The puller tractor shall be fitted with two beacon or blinking lamps, which are amber in polor, one each on left and right hand side on top of the cabin.".
 - 27. In rule 109 of the principal rules, -
 - in the opening portion, for the words "Every construction equipment vehicle and every motor vehicle", the words "Every construction equipment vehicle, combine harvester and motor vehicle" shall be substituted;
 - (ii) in the second proviso, after the words "construction equipment vehicles", the words "and combine harvesters" shall be inserted.
 - 28. In rule 112 of the principal rules, in the fifth proviso, after the words "construction equipment vehicle", the words "and combine harvester" shall be inserted.
 - In rule 113 of the principal rules, after the words "construction equipment vehicle", the words "and combine harvester" shall be inserted.

- 30. In rule 115A of the principal rules,-
 - (a) for the marginal heading, the following marginal heading shall be substituted, namely:-

"115A. Emission of smoke and vapour from agricultural tractors, power tillers, construction equipment vehicles and combine harvesters driven by diesel engines.-";

- (b) in sub-rule (1) and sub rule (2), for the words "agricultural tractors and construction equipment vehicles" at both the places where they occur, the words "agricultural tractors, construction equipment vehicles and combine harvesters" shall be substituted;
- (c) in sub-rule (6),-
 - (i) in the opening portion, after the words "construction equipment vehicle", the words "and self propelled combine harvester" shall be inserted;
 - (ii) in the Table, in the Notes, after paragraph 8, the following paragraph shall be inserted, namely:-
 - "9. Bharat Stage III (CEV) norms shall be applicable to self propelled combine harvester on and from the commencement of the Central Motor Vehicles (Fourth Amendment) Rules, 2015.";
- (d) in sub-rule (7), for the words "agricultural tractor", the words "agricultural tractor and agricultural tractor-operated combine harvester" shall be substituted.
- 31. In rule 117 of the principal rules, in sub rule (1), in the first proviso, after the words "agricultural tractor", the words "and combine harvester" shall be inserted.
- 32. In rule 119 of the principal rules,-
 - (a) after sub-rule (1), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:-

"(1A) Every combine harvester shall be fitted with an electric horn or other devices confirming to the requirements of IS 1884: 1993 specified by the Bureau of Indian Standards for use by the driver of the vehicle and capable of giving audible and sufficient warning of the approach or position of the vehicle:

Provided that the horn installation requirement for combine harvester shall be as per IS 15796:2008 specification as amended from time to time.";

- (b) in sub-rule (2), after the words "motor vehicle including agricultural tractor", the words "and combine harvester" shall be inserted.
- 33. In rule 120 of the principal rules,-
 - (a) in sub-rule (1), after the words "agricultural tractor", the words "and combine harvester" shall be inserted;
 - (b) after sub-rule (4), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:-

"(5) In the case of combine harvester, the noise level at operator's ear level shall be measured as per Annex B of IS 12180 (Part-1): 2000, whereas the noise level at bystander's position shall be measured as per IS 12180 (Part-2): 2000:

Provided that the noise level shall not exceed 98 dB (A) at operator's ear level and 88 dB (A) at bystander position.".

- 34. In rule 121 of the principal rules, in sub-rule (i), for the words "agricultural tractor and construction equipment vehicle", the words "agricultural tractor, construction equipment vehicle and combine harvester" shall be substituted.
- 35. In rule 122 of the principal rules,-

(a) in sub-rule (1A), for the words "agricultural tractor and construction equipment vehicle" at the both places where they occur, the words "agricultural tractor, construction equipment vehicle, hydraulic modular trailer and combine harvester" shall be substituted;

(b) after sub-rule (1A), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:-

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		bine harvester and hydraulic modular trailer shall bear the identit	fication number plate including the
foll	owing inform	ation embossed or etched or punched on it:	
	i)	Name of manufacturer	1
	ii)	Model name	1
	iii)	Chassis number	·
	iv)	Engine/Tractor make & model	- h
	v)	Engine SI. No. (in case of Self propelled combine)	

36. In rule 124 of the principal rules,-

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(i) after sub-rule (1A), the following sub-rules shall be inserted, namely:--

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- (IB) There shall not be any requirement regarding fitment of rear under run protection device and lateral protection device in modular hydraulic trailers.
- (1C) "T" signs, wherever used on modular hydraulic trailers, shall comply with IS: 9942: 1981.".
- 37. In rule 124A of the principal rules,-
 - (a) for the marginal heading, the following marginal heading shall be substituted, namely:--
 - "124A. Safety standards of components for agricultural tractors and combine harvesters.-";
 - (b) in sub-rule (1), after the words "agricultural tractors", the words "and combine harvesters" shall be inserted;
 - (c) in sub-rule (2), after the words "agricultural tractor" and "agricultural tractors", wherever they occur, the words "and combine harvesters" shall be inserted;
 - (d) after the second proviso, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:-
 - "Provided also that in case of combine harvesters, if the shape of body work makes it impossible to comply with the height requirement of installation of the following lighting and light-signaling devices, it shall be allowed at a height not exceeding 3000 mm:
 - (i) Dipped-beam headlamp (Ref. clause 6.2.4.2)*
 - (ii) Front direction indicator lamp (Ref. clause 6.5.4.2.3)*
 - (iii) Front position lamp (Ref. clause 6.9.4.2)°
 - (iv) Front parking lamp (Ref. clause 6.12.4.2)*

"Note: Reference clause numbers of AIS-030:2001:

Provided also that the performance requirements of the lighting, light signaling and indicating systems of combine harvester shall be in accordance with safety standards AIS:062-2004, as amended from time to time, till such time as the corresponding Bureau of Indian Standards are notified:

Provided also that the performance of rear warning triangle fitted on combine harvester shall be in accordance with AIS:088-2005, except clause 1.4.3 of Annexure 6 therein, as amended from time to time, till such time the corresponding Bureau of Indian Standards are notified."

(e) In sub-rules (3), (4), (5) and (7), after the words "agricultural tractor", wherever they occur, the words "and combine harvester" shall be inserted.

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- 38. In rule 125A of the principal rules .-
 - (a) for the marginal heading, the following marginal heading shall be substituted, namely:— "125A. Safety belt, etc., for construction equipment vehicles and combine harvesters.-";
 - (b) the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:--

"Provided that every combine harvester fitted with a cabin shall be equipped with a seat belt for the driver and with a rear view mirror.".

- 39. In rule 126 of the principal rules, for the words "other than trailers and semi-trailers", the words "including trailers, semi-trailers and modular hydraulic trailer" shall be substituted.
- 40. In rule 126B of the principal rules,-
 - (a) for the marginal heading, the following marginal heading shall be substituted, namely:-

"126B. Prototype of every construction equipment vehicle and combine harvester to be subject to test.-"; .

- (b) after sub-rule (1), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:—
 "(1A) On and from the date of commencement of Central Motor Vehicle (Fourth Amendment) Rules. 2015, every manufacturer of combine harvester shall submit the prototype of the combine harvester to be manufactured by him for test by any of the agencies referred to in rule 126 for granting a certificate by that agency as to the compliance of the provisions of the Act and these rules.";
- (c) after sub-rule (2), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:-

"(2A) The testing agencies referred to in rule 126 shall, in accordance with the procedure laid down by the Central Government, conduct tests on combine harvesters drawn from the production line of the manufacturer to verify whether the combine harvesters conform to the provisions of the Act, or rules, or orders issued there under:

Provided that the provisions of this sub-rule shall not be applicable in respect of any combine harvester up to and including the 1st day of April, 2015.".

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